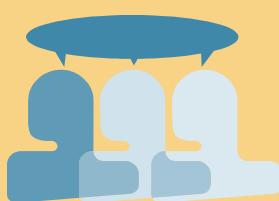


SPECIAL  
POINTS OF  
INTEREST:

- New Tools and Resources
- The APC Network



Share your story! Tell us how you have used Montgomery County APC tools and resources! Send us an e-mail at: Montgomeryapc @montgomerycountymd.gov with the following:

- Name of the tool
- How have you used the tool
- Was it a success

Use NACCHO's toolbox to search for new tools and resources added by all of the Advanced Practice Centers. Check out the toolbox here:

<http://naccho.org/toolbox/>



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## A Spotlight on Vulnerable Populations: H1N1 Tools and Resources

### Flu Care and Prevention Guide

Based upon the Montgomery County's Stay At Home Toolkit, the Flu Care and Prevention Guide focuses on key prevention and care messages in a simple format targeting the low-literate and limited English population. The one page guide uses pictures and limited text to educate the public on what actions you can take to prevent or care for an ill person within the household. The guide can be modified for any local public health agency to use. To see the guide, go to the Montgomery County, MD APC website or visit NACCHO's website.

### Preparation for a Pandemic Training module for Latino Health Promoters

Building upon the collaborative

efforts put forth over several years, Montgomery APC and the Latino Health Initiative Health Promoter Program has released a training for Health Promoters on Pandemic Flu. The training module outlines how to conduct a five-hour training session for experienced health promoters and includes a review of the basic concepts of emergency preparedness, pandemic flu, and risk communications. The training module was evaluated and field tested through the Montgomery County Latino Health Promoter Program, a report, *Pandemic Flu Preparedness Education for the Latino Community*, is available on Montgomery County APC's website.

### COOP Child Care Training Module

The Training Module is intended to give child care providers the tools

and resources to develop a COOP plan for emergency events, specifically a pandemic influenza. It can be used by local health departments and other community services agencies to help prepare the child care community.

### PRESENTATIONS:

Montgomery APC was in Boston, Massachusetts last month speaking with Massachusetts Health Officers Association about the APC program, tools that will help with H1N1 response and future emergency events.

### Upcoming:

As part of a collaborative effort between Montgomery APC and Tarrant County, TX APC, the APCs will be presenting on "Using Computer Models to Plan for the H1N1 Fall Event and Other Health Events" at the Public Health Preparedness Summit in February in Atlanta.

## Who are the Advanced Practice Centers?

### Seattle & King County, WA APC

Located in the largest metropolitan health department in the U.S. Focusing on developing multiple resources on pandemic preparedness and response, vulnerable populations, business and behavioral health.

### Multnomah County, OR APC

Located in northwest Oregon. Focus on Just In Time Training to help LHD's prepare for and respond to Public Health Emergencies.

### New APC for 2010

### San Francisco, CA APC

Focusing on developing comprehensive toolkits on the topics of infectious disease emergencies and vaccine allocation.

### Mesa County, CO APC

Located in western Colorado. Focusing on hospital staff retention using volunteer nurses and medical professionals during an emergency response.

### Tarrant County, TX APC

Located in Fort Worth, Texas. Focusing on multiple projects on topics such as, school surveillance, psychological first aid in a radiological emergency, small business preparedness, and risk communication evaluation framework.

### South Carolina, Region 7 APC

Located across three counties and serves a population of more than 600,000. Focusing on security issues during public health emergency response.

### Toledo-Lucas County, OH APC

Located in northwest Ohio. Focusing on a toolkit to enhance LHD's capability of responding during a pandemic by using a transitional framework to identify when and how to move from traditional medicine to pandemic medicine.

For more information about each of these great APC sites, including their tools and resources, go to:

<http://naccho.org/apc>

Please feel free to contact us for any questions that you may have about the tools by e-mailing us at: [MontgomeryAPC@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:MontgomeryAPC@montgomerycountymd.gov) or through our website [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/apc](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/apc)